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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1075

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Cecil H. "C.H." Butcher, Jr.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the death of Cecil H. "C.H." Butcher, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Butcher was an exemplary public servant and businessman who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born and raised on a farm in Union County, where he was a member of Millers Chapel United Methodist Church, Mr. Butcher attended Union County Public Schools and East Tennessee State University and served in the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Lincoln Memorial University in Harrogate, Cecil H. Butcher, Jr., along with his father, Cecil H. Butcher, Sr., and his brother, Jake Butcher, founded the City & County Banks of Tennessee and Kentucky, and served as the Chief Executive Officer; and

WHEREAS, in addition to possessing numerous real estate holdings and several other business entities, Mr. Butcher also founded City & County Insurance Companies, Red Gate Properties, and Southern Value Homes, which he founded with his wife, Sheryl Moreland; and

WHEREAS, an active participant in Tennessee Democratic Politics, C.H. Butcher, Jr. was instrumental in securing the funds to establish the Lincoln Memorial Museum at Lincoln

Memorial University, and he was a key financial source for the 1982 World's Fair in Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Butcher was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, C.H. Butcher, Jr. enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Sheryl Moreland, and was the proud father of son and daughter-in-law, Cecil H. "Butch" Butcher III and Terri; and

WHEREAS, he will be sorely missed by his grandson, Cecil "Bleu" Butcher IV; his brother and sister-in-law, Jake and Sonya Butcher; his stepmother, Hazel Walters Butcher; and his former wife, Shirley Rutherford Butcher; and

WHEREAS, other survivors include his stepchildren, Kennette and Russ Pyles, Renee and Daniel Griffin, Robert Moreland, and Donald Moreland; his step-grandchildren, Russell, Caroline, and Robert Pyles, and Ashley, Daniel, and Jacqueline Griffin; and his nieces and nephews, Maria Loyd, Scarlett Current, Brad Butcher, and Jason Butcher; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Butcher was preceded in death by his father, Cecil H. Butcher, Sr., and his mother, Kate Walters Butcher; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Butcher leaves behind an indelible legacy of generosity and philanthropy in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional gentleman; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor the memory of Cecil H. "C.H." Butcher, Jr. reflecting fondly upon his many good deeds and great beneficence in the furtherance of civic and charitable concerns.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Butcher.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.